

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES –March 26, 2012
SUNDERLAND TOWN OFFICES**

Present: Mr. Fydenkevez, Mr. Bergeron and Mr. Pierce

Others: Margaret Nartowicz, Town Administrator

Behind the Camera: Tom Zimnowski

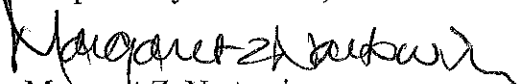
- Call to order at 7:12 p.m.
- Moment of History-Mr. Fydenkevez - 1959 Annual Report-Report of the Superintendent of Schools that education is focusing more on math and science.
- Sunderland Public Library (SPL) Budget Hearing-Lorin Starr- Overview of budget request. SPL was without director for some time this fiscal year. Discussion regarding part-time wages, substitute wages and ability to distribute funds so recommended appropriations can be met. Discussion regarding staffing and competitive wages. Capital request for purchase of photocopier. Discussion regarding technology vs. "materials"; purchase vs. lease. Mr. Fydenkevez-wants to bundle buying/leasing on copiers. Discussion regarding Special Town Meeting request for appropriation transfer from Director Salary to Library Expense to purchase materials.
- March 19, 2012 Minutes- Motion to accept March 19, 2012 minutes by Mr. Fydenkevez, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0. Mr. Fydenkevez-reminder of meeting to discuss K-6 regionalization on April 10th at Frontier Regional High School. April 3rd meeting between Sunderland and Whately to discuss collaboration. Discussion regarding regionalization vs. collaboration.
- Updates-Sugarbush-Mr. Bergeron-continuing meetings with potential partners and developer; expect further updates within next few weeks.
- FY13 Baseline Budget-Mr. Bergeron-important to keep budget requests as of deadline in the budget until budget hearings. Mr. Fydenkevez-people need to be aware of what's in the budget, and understand impacts in departments. Need more public involvement. Mr. Pierce-Town-wide pent up need for things that have been put off for a long time. Mr. Bergeron-this is last opportunity for Board of Selectmen to put ballot questions on election ballot. Suggest placing capital override question. Mr. Fydenkevez-resident suggested trying a smaller amount \$20-25K. Mr. Pierce-Capital projects are items we know the Town needs. Discussion regarding programmatic approach to funding capital; override vs. borrowing costs. Discussion regarding importance of addressing capital needs and reinforcing that TM vote is required for appropriation. Motion to present ballot question for capital stabilization override of \$30,000 by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0.
- Town Website-Mr. Pierce gave website update. Pilot is at www.townofsunderland.squarespace.com
- Treasurer/Collector Office Assistant Job Description-Motion by Mr. Fydenkevez to accept job description, 2nd by Mr. Pierce. Vote 3-0.
- Special Town Meeting Warrant-Mr. Fydenkevez-request spreadsheet on when Quinn amounts were paid.
 - ✓ Article __: Prior year bills. Motion to include by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0.
 - ✓ Article __: Quinn-HOLD. Mr. Fydenkevez-request spreadsheet on when Quinn amounts were paid.
 - ✓ Article __: Snow & Ice and Highway Fuel. Motion to include by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0.
 - ✓ Article __: Fire Dept Wages- Motion to include by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0.
 - ✓ Article __: Veteran's Benefits- Motion to include by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 2-1.
 - ✓ Article __: Unemployment-HOLD. Treasure/Collector to provide detail on FY12 and FY13.
 - ✓ Article __: SPL transfer request-HOLD. Motion to include by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez for discussion. Is it good practice? **Motion to withdraw motion to include by Mr. Pierce, 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0.**

Next meeting April 2nd, Public Safety budget hearings. April 7th voter registration deadline.

Warrant and correspondence by signature.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Pierce and 2nd by Mr. Fydenkevez. Vote 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:14pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Z. Nartowicz
Town Administrator